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## MEMORANDUM FOR

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SUBJECT: NSC Meeting on MBFR (C)

There will be a National Security Council Meeting on the US-preferred Western position at the Mutual and Balanced Force Reductions (MBFR) negotiations on Friday, October 18, at 11:00 a.m. in the Cabinet Room. (C)

Agency principal plus one are invited, as well as the US Ambassador to the MBFR negotiations, Mr. Robert Blackwill, Ambassador Paul Nitze and Ambassador Edward E. Rowny. The agenda for the meeting is attached. (U)

*William F. Martin*  
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Executive Secretary

Attachment  
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**CONFIDENTIAL****NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**MUTUAL AND BALANCED FORCE REDUCTIONS (MBFR)**

The Cabinet Room  
October 18, 1985 -- 11:00-11:45 A.M.

**AGENDA****I. Introduction****Mr. McFarlane****II. Questions for Discussion****Principals**

- A. How does the US assess the Soviet "Model" presented last spring?
- B. Should US support a change from the Western proposal of April 1984?
- C. What options are under consideration and what would be their impact in terms of:
1. Their military implications;
  2. Their verifiability;
  3. Their negotiability;
  4. Their precedent for MBFR and for other arms control negotiations; and
  5. Other issues to be considered?

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**III. Conclusion****Mr. McFarlane****CONFIDENTIAL**

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